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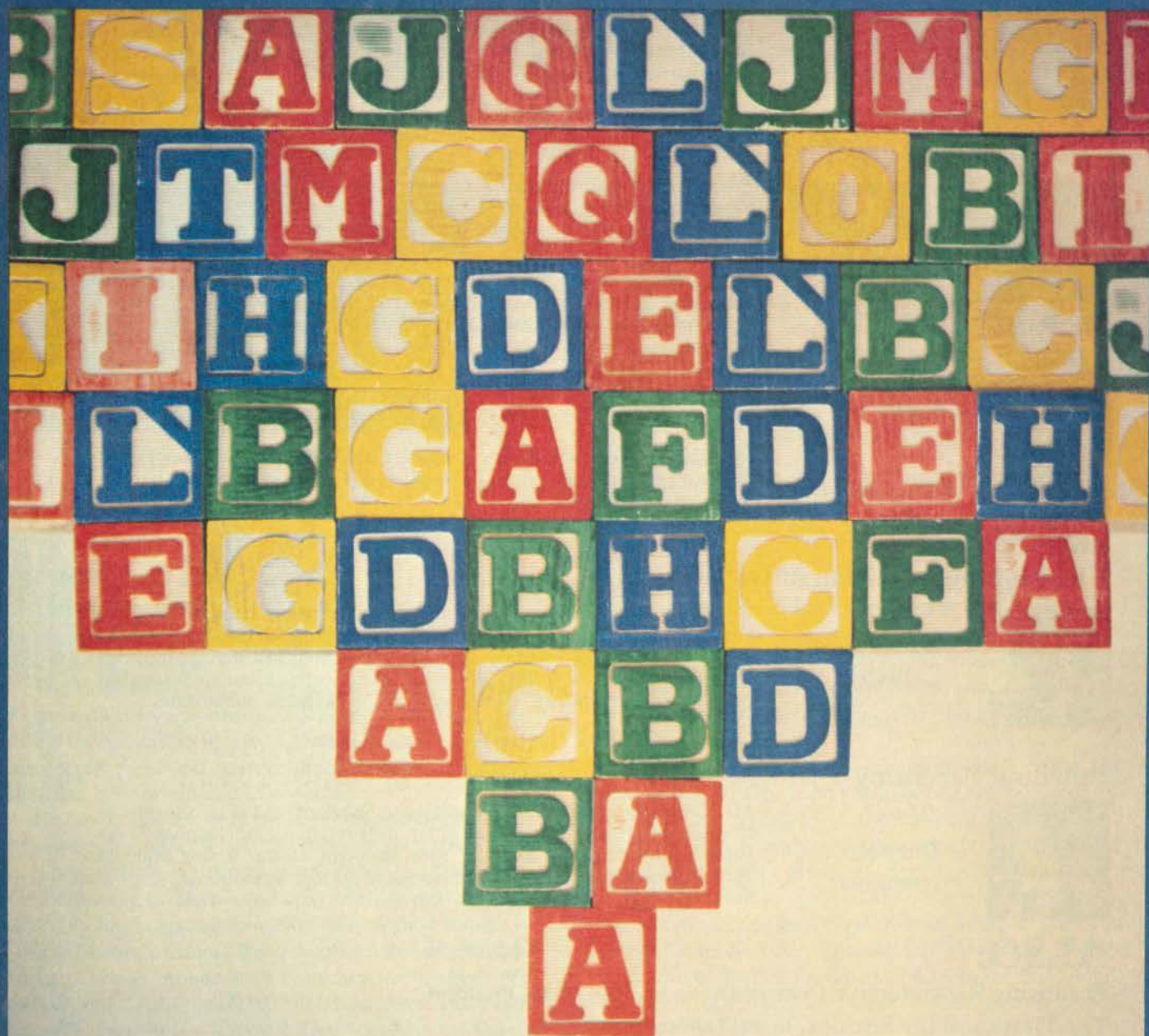
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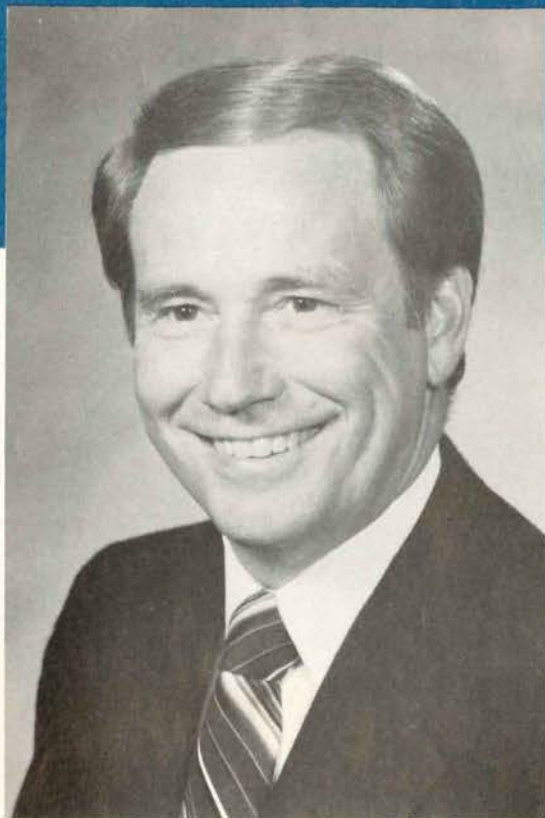
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Producing Reproductive Christians

by Dr. Paul Dixon, President

Evangelism and discipleship are the Siamese twins of the Bible. They are like the proverbial chicken and the egg. You can't have one without the other.

The Lord Jesus commissioned us to make disciples. If we would live in obedience to Him, then we must direct individuals to receive Christ as Saviour. We must also teach them and nurture them to the place where they can be reproducing Christians.

He taught this not only by word but also by example. Many are those He called unto Himself and turned from darkness to light. Yet that was not the end; rather, it was the beginning as He poured His own life into them so that they might spread this good news – the Gospel.

Our Master certainly had a heart for the multitudes. In fact, it was broken with compassion for them. He concentrated His time on the twelve apostles. In a much narrower sense He devoted His schedule to Peter, James, and John.

The early church practiced discipleship. Every believer could not help but communicate what he had seen and heard. Churches were established with the new converts. Older saints were busy building into the lives of the new Christians. It is obvious why the believers and churches were multiplied.

Discipleship is not simply a popular buzzword for the 1980's. It is a basic Biblical principle.

Most of us have ample opportunity to get involved.

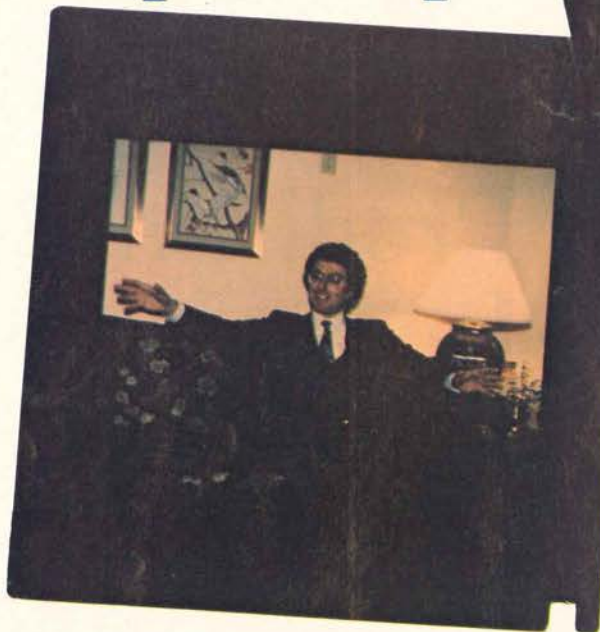
Pastors, Sunday school teachers, and Christian faculty are discipling to some extent every time they stand before a congregation or a class. For those of us who are married, the greatest opportunity for discipling is building into our mate's life and the lives of the children the Lord has given us.

These challenges are basic and obvious. Are there not other Christian friends and contacts who need you or me to care enough to spend some time with them? This may mean rearranging our schedule, establishing new priorities, and giving of ourselves in a new way.

Most are waiting for a plan; few need motivation. But may I suggest that even without a formal plan you can get started. Take someone out for coffee. Have a couple over for dinner. Go to a ballgame with a friend. To begin is to decide to invest your life in eternal values.

A major emphasis at Cedarville College is not only evangelism but discipleship. Many of our students practice discipleship in the dorms and outside the dorms, and during the summer. The knowledge that our graduates are multiplying themselves in the lives of others is rewarding. Our theme for the academic year has been "serving the Lord – serving one another." That sums it up well for all of us. After reading this issue of the TORCH, a good question for all of us is, "Whom are we discipling?"

Discipleship:



What is it?

by Rev. Allen Hadidian

TORCH: Mr. Hadidian, what does discipleship mean?

Hadidian: Discipling is the process by which a Christian with a life worth emulating, or a life worth sharing, commits himself, over an extended period of time, to a few individuals who have been led to Christ, the purpose being to aid and guide their growth to maturity and then equip them to reproduce themselves in a third spiritual generation.

This definition incorporates several things. It incorporates the mark of *example*. In a discipling ministry you have the role of a leader and a follower, of a guide and the guided. So it isn't necessarily two people who are spiritual peers getting together and growing, but it is someone who is the leader, and someone who is the follower – designated roles.

Another aspect is *guardianship*. One person is the spiritual guardian, aiding, guiding, encouraging, teaching, and protecting the other individual in spiritual growth.

Then there is *time*. Discipling is a commitment over an extended period of time, not something you take someone through in ten weeks and then, poof! He is absolutely mature, ready to reproduce his life in someone else.

There's also the identifying mark of *direction*. The discipler knows where he is headed. There are clearly defined goals and a direction to achieve those goals.

Also, there's *commitment* of one's life. The discipler, the more mature one, commits himself to the disciple. And as you look at Christ's life, it wasn't just a transfer of facts, it was a transference of a life.

Then, of course, there's *friendship*. Jesus said (in essence), "You're my friends – I love you."

I like what one of my college classmates said in a thesis paper on discipling. He said that a discipler is not a part-time tutor. Rather, he is a full-time friend.

T: Why is discipling important?

H: I think there are four reasons a discipling ministry is important. First, *it is of value to Christ*. Discipling was Christ's method of reaching the world. He poured His life into a few men who would then reach out to others.

Second, *it is of value to the disciple*. This is seen in several ways. It increases the rate of a disciple's growth. If someone has gone before and experienced temptations and passed through them victoriously, then his disciple can grow faster in the Christian life.

It stops wrong behavior patterns in the disciple. The more mature discipler comes alongside and says, "What you're doing is wrong!"

It protects the disciple from the acts of Satan. A mature individual coming alongside can say, "This is your problem, and this is how you can deal with it. This is what the Word of God says." I like to say that a new Christian is somewhat defenseless, like a rookie running back with no blockers.



Third, *it purifies the discipler*. One never knows his weaknesses until he starts committing himself to another individual. When weaknesses surface, the discipler has to deal with them if he wants to continue his ministry.

Fourth, *it is important to the church*. A discipling ministry produces and develops leaders. Passing the baton to the next generation so that God's work doesn't stop is critical.

T: How does one select a person to disciple?

H: Paul didn't say to commit yourself to slothful men, but to *faithful* men. One needs to determine a person's heart for God, a person's availability in terms of time, and a person's teachable attitude. Does the person really want to grow? Does the person really want to know God? Is the person a listener? Is the person concerned about being holy? Of course, I do not mean that a person has to be perfect in every area.

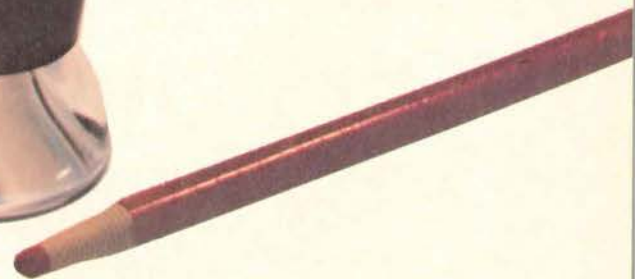
I might add that I don't necessarily look for a person who is of like personality or who has similar interests, although that would help.

T: How many should one disciple?

H: That's a good question. The number of people to disciple is determined by two things: time availability and the experience of the discipler.

While I was working with a Christian organization on a college campus, that was my job, so I was able to disciple about ten different men. But when I went to seminary, I disciplined only three or four. Time is a factor.

Experience is also important. If one has never disciplined someone before, I'd recommend that he meet with one individual, perfecting and building him up in Christ. I'd also recommend co-leading a small group of



men and women with someone else who is also desirous of discipling others. That way the two are a team and can work together. One can support the other in that ministry, and it's not as threatening.

T: When is it time for a disciple to graduate?

H: There are several things I've looked for in an individual who is ready to leave the nest. One is *consistency of life* – visible growth in spite of periodic stumbles.

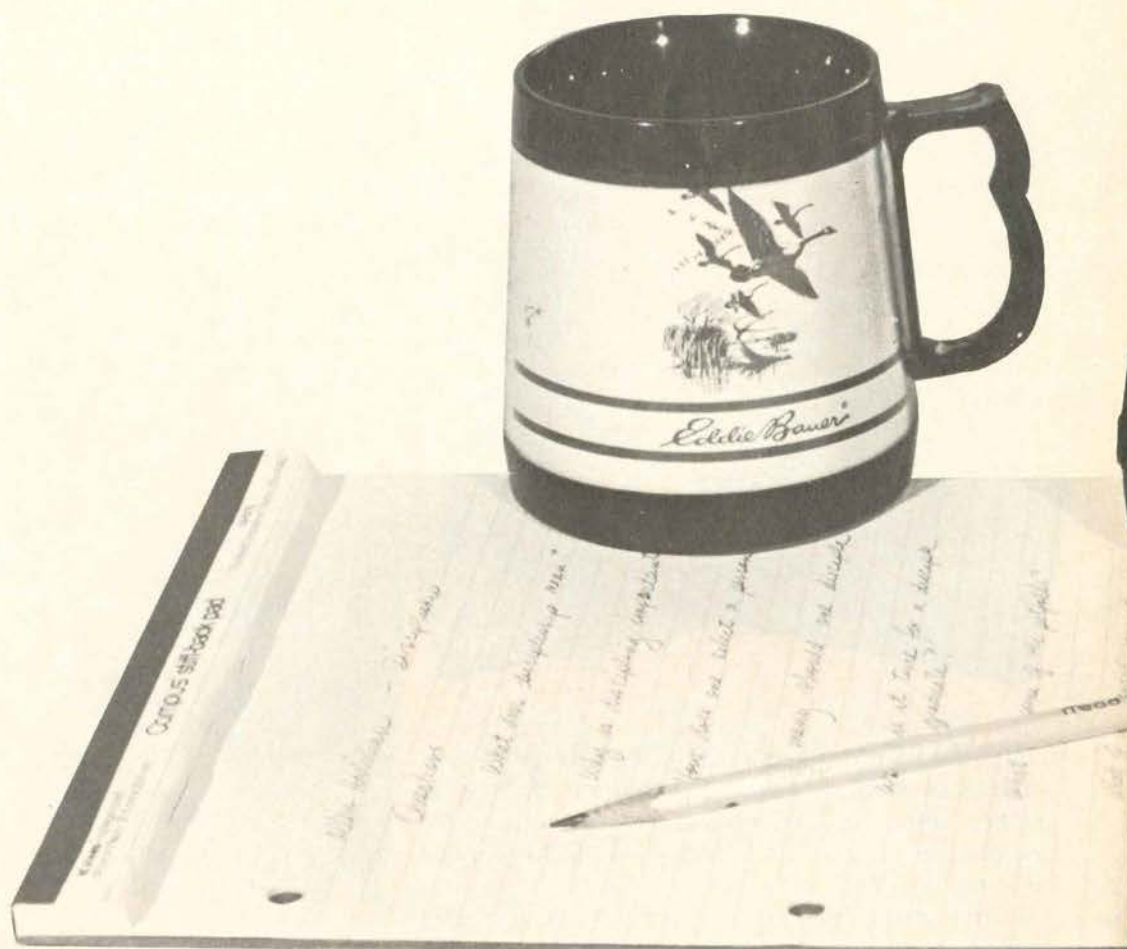
Second, I look for *stability in the area of Bible doctrine or teaching*. Paul exhorted the Ephesians not to be children who are easily tossed to and fro by every doctrine that comes along.

Third, I need to sense *a servant's heart*. If I discern that an individual does not have a desire to give of himself to people, then that is a major area that needs to be developed before I would cease discipling.

Fourth, the individual has a *love of people*. And, finally, the individual should know *the mechanics of discipling others*.

T: Would you recommend a set program or one tailored to each person's needs?

H: There is a series of steps that I go through in determining the content I use in my discipling ministry. I determine the breadth of topics that could be covered, and the breadth is pretty vast – from forgiveness of sins to spiritual gifts. Then I discern the individual



disciple's needs. One way of doing this is to ask him, "What do you feel your needs are at this point in your spiritual pilgrimage?"

Once I determine this, I look for material on that particular topic. I decide how I want to present that material.

With a brand new Christian I would take him through books like John MacArthur's *Keys to Spiritual Growth* and *Let's Live* by Curtis Mitchell. These include basic information on forgiveness, confession of sin, temptation, being filled with the Holy Spirit, and God's will.

T: When is the best time to disciple?

H: I think the discipling ministry demands both the formal and informal meetings. The formal meetings involve planned and organized content. Businessmen could meet during mealtimes, perhaps for breakfast once a week. Couples could meet one evening a week. However, much discipling takes place during informal times. This might mean during sporting events, overnight camping, traveling, eating out, and other fun activities.

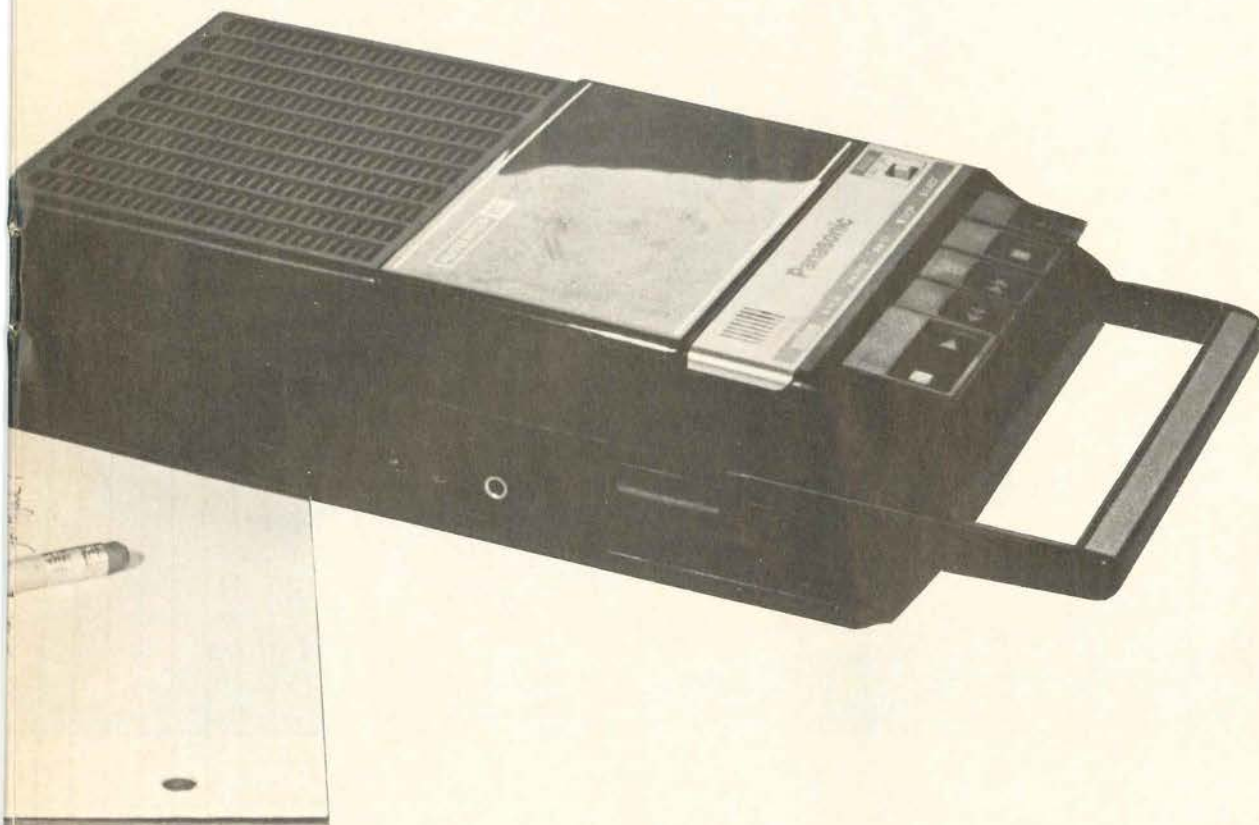
T: So discipling is more than just a weekly rendezvous. It's a friendship commitment.

H: Yes, I think that's the goal. The death of a discipling ministry comes when the discipler says, "I know I should spend time with the person I'm discipling, but I'd rather spend time with my friend." It's a relationship that's built, not just the taking of a person through a program.

I must admit I found that with some of the men I have disciplined, I didn't enter the discipling relationship with a great amount of feeling for the individual. But, I wanted to serve. I saw a need and, therefore, I wanted to commit myself. Later, God bonded our hearts together.

T: What are some pitfalls?

H: One would be the demands that are placed on the discipler: emotional strength and physical strength. Another would be a lack of faithfulness to the commitment: being selfish, wanting time for oneself, or not being available when one is called at 3 a.m. for counsel.



A third pitfall is pride. One can easily get an exalted view of himself as a discipler, the leader of this individual.

There is also the danger of the disciple's becoming dependent on his teacher. Remember, the goal is to move him to be independent of the discipler and dependent on Christ.

T: Don't closer friendships also mean more vulnerability for the discipler?

H: The discipler needs to give the disciple a realistic view of himself. He needs to be honest regarding the joys and the victories in his life. He also needs to be honest with the disciple regarding weaknesses.

T: What if you sensed that your disciple is not being faithful?

H: You have to determine whether there is an underlying root cause.

I try to learn if he's struggling in his relationship with his wife, with his work, with someone else, or with the Lord in some way. If, after discussion, I conclude that he's just lazy, then I recommend terminating the discipling relationship. However, the door is always open if he wants to begin again, once faithfulness is proven.

T: Can someone say, "I don't have that gift. Discipling is not God's program for me"?

H: It's not a question of what gifts one has. It's a question of obedience to Christ's command. It is true, though, that a person will disciple another individual according to the gifts he has.

For example, if one has a gift of teaching, then his discipling will be characterized by much teaching. If one has the gifts of helps, he might involve disciples in projects that help other people. Gifts determine discipling style.

T: You seem to indicate that every person ought to be discipling someone.

H: I think at each point in life we should be asking ourselves the question, "To whom am I passing the baton?" For a wife and a mother, it may be the children. For a pastor, it would be his board. The leadership in the church should be thinking, "Whom can I be discipling?" If I lead someone to the Lord, I should be discipling him as a new believer.

I have two goals in a discipling ministry. One is to develop people who are mature. In Ephesians 4:13, Paul desires that believers grow to the stature of Christ, be like Christ. My second goal is that my disciples become multipliers, people who will now do to others what I've done to them. This is the ministry of reproduction.



Helping Jamie Grow

by Martha Baldwin

*This is my story, this is my song:
Praising my Saviour all the day long.*

This is Jamie's story – and mine. It's about growing in Christ – and about overcoming fear – and how the Lord superintended in both.

Jamie was a freshman at a nearby state university when I met her. My husband and I, along with several others from our church, were working with the Campus Bible Fellowship program on the university campus at the time. This was a ministry with which I had not really wanted to become involved; I was not comfortable on secular campuses. The lifestyle, the attitudes toward authority, the dress – all of these offended me. I much preferred the atmosphere and, yes, the security, of our own Christian college campus. However, our group afforded "safety in numbers" and soon I was enjoying the interaction with the university students at our weekly Bible study. And the Lord was producing a harvest.

I remember the night the Lord saved Jamie. A number of students had gathered in our usual meeting place in the Student Union to see the film, *Thief in the Night*. After the showing, I began to talk with two or three girls about the film's impact. Beside us was another girl whom I did not recall seeing before and, as I turned to include her in our conversation, I was struck

by the intense expression on her face. My spirit told me that God was working in her heart.

My next words came out effortlessly, almost as if someone else were speaking. Before I even knew her name I asked gently, "Would you like to have Christ as *your* Saviour?" She nodded her head and said quietly, "Yes."

The Lord just took over, and Jamie became His child that night.

She showed much interest in the Scriptures I shared with her and we both had the desire to get together again. I wanted to take her to my church, but she went home every weekend. I felt a real responsibility to help her to grow, and to grow quickly, for there were only a few weeks left in the school year. I prayed, especially for myself, because I was fearful of going to the campus alone without the support of my husband and our C.B.F. team. However, the Lord gave me courage to suggest that I come to her dorm room and we set a time.

A few days later I set out for the campus, armed with two Bibles and two copies of MILK (the first in a discipleship series by PRO-TEEN).

Many doubts assailed me as I drove to the university that afternoon. Was my own spiritual condition mature enough for this task? Would Jamie remember I was coming? Would she think the material was too childish? Could I even find a place to park? Maybe it would be

better just to talk to her at the regular C.B.F. meetings.

There *was* a parking place, but I'm sure I was the only woman on the whole campus in a dress that day. No one spoke to me, and I hurried along, wishing that I were back on our own campus.

As I turned the corner to her dorm, I saw two possible entrances. The main one was encumbered by a dozen or so couples through which I would have to pass. The other was a single side door which I prayed would be unlocked. It was. I crept up the two flights of stairs without meeting anyone. So far, so good. Then I stepped into the hallway. The scene hit me like the shockwave of an earthquake.

Jamie lived in a girls' dorm, but the liberal visiting privileges meant there were fellows everywhere, in and out of the rooms, sitting in the halls with their long legs extended into the walkway, and some just leaning against the walls, chatting with their girl friends. Loud music poured from the rooms and the cigarette smoke was thick. I could still go back home, call her, and tell her that I couldn't find her room.

I heard my Lord's words: "Lo, I am with you always." Maybe *this* was the ends of the earth!

I remember well that long walk, carrying my two Bibles and my two copies of MILK, stepping over feet, scrutinizing the room numbers. Of course, the room was at the far end of the hall.

Lord, Please let her be there.

She was. I fairly leaped into the room and gave her a big hug.

She had come up with a Bible and two friends – female. Again, the Lord just took over. They were delighted with the study guides and eagerly sought answers to the questions in the three Bibles. I helped them find Scriptures and explained a few words, but the Lord taught them. I watched in wonder as they pored over the passages. They sat side by side on the narrow bed, heads bent over their Bibles like little children. One or another would squeal, "I've got it!" when she found the sought-after verse. They read haltingly at first, but then with more confidence as the meanings of the passages became clear to them. They devoured the first two lessons. I left the Bibles and promised to bring more copies of the lesson guide next time.

As I retraced my steps that afternoon, I smiled and spoke greetings to the inhabitants of the hallway. The loud music was drowned out by the songs of praise welling up in my heart.

Jamie and I met together each week for the rest of the school year. Sometimes there were other girls present. The Lord gave us a very special fellowship, and sometimes she shared with me some of her background.

Her family, though not saved, was close-knit and lived in the inner city. Life there was fraught with dangers and she had had to face situations that I could not even imagine. How foolish my fears had been. We thanked God for His protection of her family through the years.

One afternoon the two of us were studying the lesson and accompanying Scriptures on witnessing. Jamie, as

usual, had lots of questions, and her eyes were shining as she nodded her comprehension. The little room was filled with the Lord's presence as we shared His Word and our love for Him for what He had done for us. She clasped my hand and I realized how much I loved her as a sister in Christ.

Suddenly the door flew open and a young man stalked sulkily into the room. Without a glance at us, he flung himself down on the bed, face to the wall. The joy we had just been sharing was shattered. I was stunned. Jamie looked at me in agonized embarrassment. I knew from her expression that this must be her boyfriend. She hadn't told me much about him, only that they were going together.

She attempted to introduce me to him. He grunted without changing his position.

"Mrs. Baldwin and me...I...you know, Bob, I told you about her..."

Her voice faltered. Awkward silence followed. I was determined not to leave.

Then I felt a calmness that could have come only from the Lord. I touched her hand and spoke carefully. "Jamie, you know we've just been talking about sharing the Lord with others. Do you suppose Bob would like to know about Him, too?"

Her eyes widened as she grasped what I was suggesting. What happened next was purely of the Lord and I was a privileged spectator. It was as though I were witnessing something that had been rehearsed, yes, planned, since the beginning of eternity. I was hardly aware of the moment Bob sat up and began to follow intently what she was telling him. I watched her read the verses, gesture with her hands, point to her own heart and to his. They had forgotten I was there.

"Lord," I thought, "this is how it's supposed to work, isn't it, this discipling business. One shares with another and then that one shares with another."

Tears flowed as I leaned back against the wall and just watched those two precious young people talking about Christ.

Bob didn't make a profession that afternoon. He said he'd think about it, but I knew he already belonged to the Lord. Jamie told me later that he'd accepted Christ that night.

Jamie didn't go back to the university the next year. She took a job in a bank in the city where she lived. I feel certain she's going on with the Lord, and we shall, as she used to say, "be together in heaven some day."

The Lord taught us both a great deal during those weeks. He brought Jamie to the point of becoming a vibrant, witnessing Christian. What He showed me was that when one is willing to be used, fear melts away.

Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.

Isaiah 41:10

It is true that obedience and willingness to share one's Lord brings great joy.

“Dix” and the



“Dix”

by Dr. Paul Dixon

Dr. Paul Dixon is one of the foremost proponents of the evangelism/discipleship concept. He preaches and practices it at Cedarville College and in meetings in this country and overseas. The material that follows is taken from Dr. Dixon's book, The Joy of Discipleship.

Let me share an experience I had discipling a new convert.

I remember it as one of the blessed experiences of my life in discipleship, and it was not even planned. You will find that God will use you in discipling of people even when you don't have a system or a plan. God will just cause it to happen.

When I was in college, I had a ministry away from home every summer; but the summer before my senior year I knew I was to stay home and work at a company in Cincinnati.

One day I needed a haircut, so I went out to start my '53 Dodge. But it just would not start because it had rained the night before. When it rained, the only way to start the car was to take off the spark plug wires and wipe them with a rag. I got out and pulled the spark plug wires and dried them off, but the engine still wouldn't turn over. I finally had to walk the mile or so to the barber shop.

As I was walking back, a car pulled over to the curb and a young man leaned out and said, “Hey, Dix, what are you doing?” Many years had passed since anyone had called me Dix, so I knew it had to be someone from Norwood High School days. I looked up to see a fellow dressed in an ROTC uniform. His name was Jim; I recognized him from our school days together. He was now a senior at the University of Cincinnati.

He said, “Let me give you a lift home.” On the way he asked me if I were in college. I explained to him how the Lord saved me when I was a senior in high school and that I was studying for the ministry. I told him that next Sunday night I would be preaching at the Norwood Baptist Church and asked, “How would you like to bring your wife and come?” He responded, “I might do that. I would like to hear you.”

So Sunday night Jim came with his wife. He sat in the congregation and leaned intently forward while I was preaching. When I gave the invitation, he raised his hand expressing his concern about his soul, but he didn't come forward. I announced that I would be in a room where anyone could come to ask me questions after the service. It wasn't long until Jim came in.

He sat down and said he just wanted to thank me for the message, and that he was glad he came. He started to leave when I asked, “Jim, are you sure that's all you want to talk about?” He said, “No, I've never heard anything like this before, but I think you ought to know that I'm an agnostic. I'm deeply involved in philosophy.” He said that he didn't even believe the Bible. I said, “Well, that's your opinion. But would you like to know why I believe the Bible?” We sat there for an hour as I explained to him why I had confidence in the Scriptures.

When we were finished, I explained that in the final analysis the Bible had to be accepted by faith, just as receiving Christ was a step of faith.

He thought a minute and said, “Believe it or not, at this point, after what you've said, I'm ready to accept the Bible by faith; but I'm not sure I'm ready to accept Christ.” He wanted to think it through. He was afraid the music and the preaching were playing on his emotions. He wanted to get away from it for a few days.

I said, “Fine, but while you are thinking about it, if you die, you will go to hell. That's your choice, and I have to be honest with you about it.” He said he still wanted to think about it more.

“Good,” I said, “if you want to be saved, I'll give you two days. By then if you still want to be saved, be at my house on Tuesday afternoon at 2:00.” He agreed.

Tuesday at 2:00 there was a knock on the door. I opened the door and there he stood grinning from ear to ear with a Bible under his arm. He said he wanted to be saved. I took him up to my room and led him to the Lord. I gave him some brief helps on how to grow as a Christian. He looked at me and asked, “Would you have time tomorrow to teach me more about how I can grow as a Christian?”

I told him I would and that he could come back the next day at the same time. He came back the next day, and the next after that; for two weeks, we studied together.

On one occasion he was unable to meet at our usual time. He asked if I could meet him at the university during his lunch hour to study the Word together.

Jim has been a deacon in a church in Toledo, Ohio, and today is a member of the Board of Trustees of Cedarville College.

That experience was an involvement in discipleship that I did not plan, but it was in the providence of God. What a joy to disciple a new convert!

Agnostic



"The Agnostic"

by James B. Carraher

One spring day in 1960, as I was driving through our hometown of Norwood, Ohio, I saw an old high school friend, Paul Dixon, walking down the street. It had been several years since we last saw each other, and I stopped to say hello. It just so happened that his car was "on the fritz," for which I now thank the Lord. I gave him a ride home.

I was surprised to learn that Paul was going to be an evangelist after graduation from college. When he invited me to Norwood Baptist Church for an evening service, I agreed to go. I was curious about just what kind of preacher he was.

That Sunday evening I became concerned about my position before God. I know now that the Holy Spirit was convicting me as I listened to Paul's message.

After the meeting, Paul explained the Gospel to me and told me I needed to accept Christ as my Savior. I told him I wanted to think it over. The following Tuesday he met with me in his home and again explained the Gospel. This time I accepted the Lord on the strength of the clear Scripture verses he explained to me.

However, there were many questions I had about living the Christian life and what God wanted me to do, so I was very thankful when Paul offered to meet with me on a regular basis for a time of Bible study. We met on several occasions either at his home or at the University of Cincinnati between classes.

Paul knew the importance of a discipler in the life of a new believer. If it were not for his ministry in my life, I might easily have failed to grow as a Christian.

After I was saved, I made the same mistake many new believers make. I went back to the church I had been attending before I was saved and tried to get the members stirred spiritually for evangelistic activities. Paul explained to me that my first priority was to grow as a believer before attempting leadership activities. He introduced me to some tremendous Christian businessmen who met for prayer on Saturday mornings. Through these men I became familiar with

an assembly of Bible believers in Cincinnati. It was there I began to receive sound teaching and fellowship, and I learned by the example of others how born-again Christians really should live.

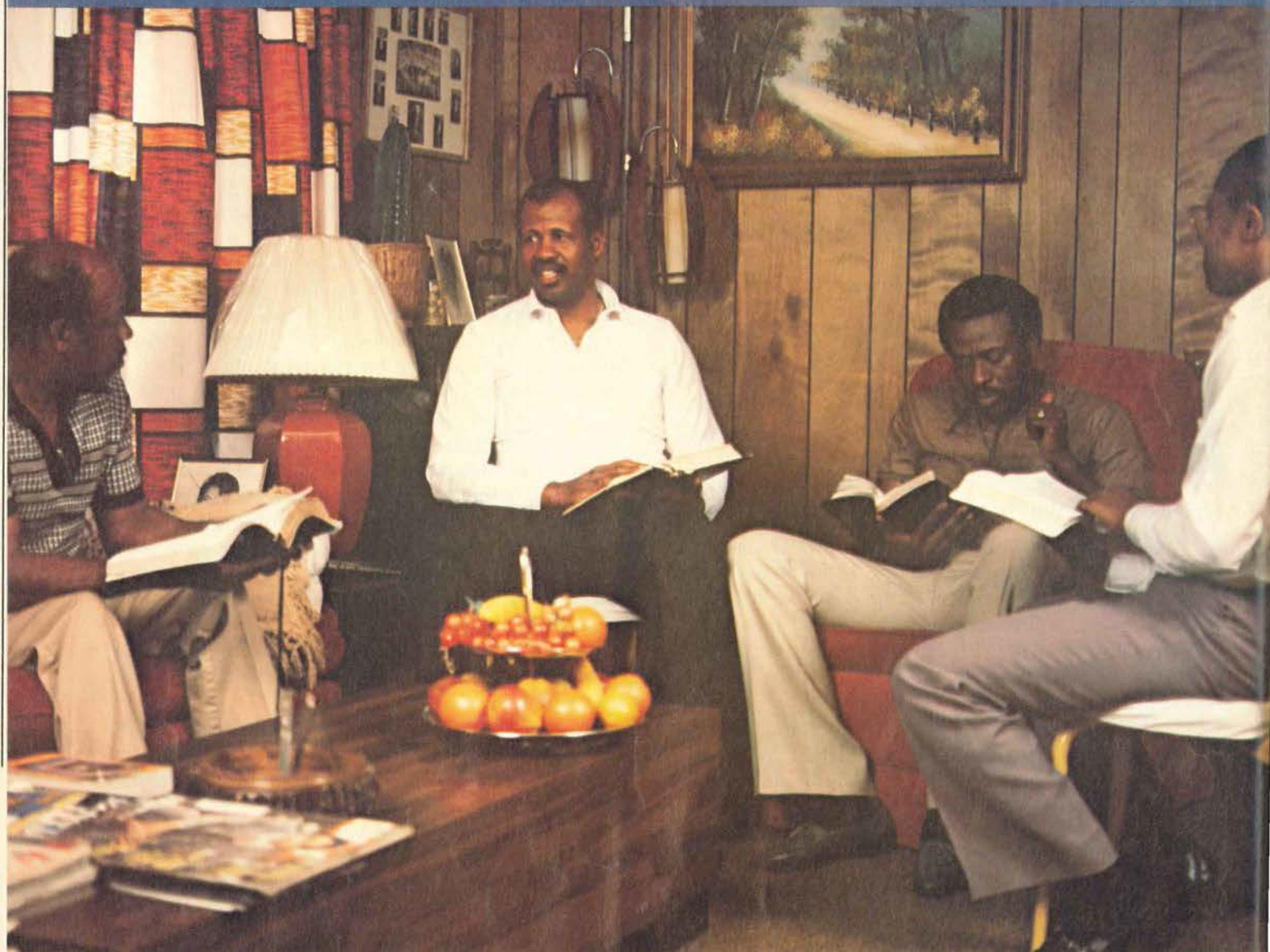
The Lord used Paul again in my life almost 10 years later. I had moved from Cleveland, Ohio, to Toledo after a change of jobs and was concerned about what church my wife and I should attend. On one particular Sunday we were visiting Emmanuel Baptist Church. It seemed like a sound church, but we were used to smaller churches and this one seemed to be just too big for us. We thought we would get lost among all those people. Imagine our surprise when we heard that Paul Dixon was going to hold evangelistic meetings there. Then we learned that Pastor Don Sewell's wife Beverly knew my wife Marilee from the time they were in grade school and high school together. This was more than just coincidence. I felt it was clearly the Lord's leading in our lives.

Incidentally, we soon discovered that the bigger the church the more jobs there were to be done. The Lord kept us busy.

I had the privilege of joining the Board of Trustees at Cedarville College in 1974. And, again, imagine my great joy when Paul Dixon became president of the college in 1978.

God has wonderfully woven our lives together over the years. Without a doubt our discipler-disciple relationship has been essential to my spiritual growth. Just as Timothy was thankful for his Paul, I thank God for Paul Dixon's willingness to disciple me. ■





Life Transference

by Rev. Lamont Shazier

Discipleship-evangelism as a concept has been growing in evangelical circles over the last 30 years. This is due in particular to the efforts of men like the late Dawson Trotman, founder of the Navigators. There are many programs and many methodologies, all of which are biblically based and effective, insofar as they go.

Discipleship-evangelism has as its goal the nurturing of the believer until he is conformed to the image of His

Son (Romans 8:29b). This process will not be attained in this life. Paul so testified that he had not attained – but that he kept on striving, following the example of Christ (Philippians 3:12). Nonetheless, this implies an active process whereby a practical application of what is learned of Christ is applied to every man's lifestyle (Luke 6:40).

WHY DISCIPLE OTHERS?

And Jesus came and spake unto them saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and earth. Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

Matthew 28:18-20

In Christian circles today, discipleship is often thought of as a special ministry to be performed by a special staff member, and not as the normal everyday part of our Christian experience. We need to be reminded that the commission in Matthew 28 is to go and make disciples.

This commission is to the whole church. It is not optional. It is a command. Therefore, it should be a major portion of the work of the body of Christ.

As seen in the life of the apostle Paul, and Jesus before him, the process of discipleship is more than the transmitting of facts; it involves the transference of a life.

Gary Kuhne writes so sublimely of this truth in his book, *The Dynamics of Personal Follow-up*. He states, "...personal follow-up is not only methodology, but also life transference. Thus, there can be no substitute for a dynamic relationship with Christ in your own life if you seek to be effective in helping someone else grow."

If successful discipling revolves around life transference and seeing your life reproduced in others, what will you reproduce? You will reproduce **yourself**, and in so doing you will either lead or mislead. It takes a true disciple to make a disciple.

Jesus did not say, "Listen to me and I will make you fishers of men." He said, "Follow me" (Matthew 4:19). He took twelve men who stayed with Him and observed His life: how He reacted, what He did. He formed an intimate relationship with them so much so that they asked Him to teach them how to pray (Luke 11:1). Therefore, the nurturing of disciples is not merely formal teaching but also informal teaching in the school of life itself.

A child grows and learns from his parents by word of mouth and example. Then when that child falls short of this training, he is disciplined. It is the same with the new believer in Christ; however, the method of disciplining is somewhat different.

We must remember that the child in this case is an adult who is trying to overcome a lifetime of acquired bad habits, and we must emulate Jesus' methods. Jesus

never failed to turn the failures of the twelve into positive learning experiences. Beyond that, He used a method that was most successful then, and will still work today. (1) He delegated authority (Matthew 4:19), and ministry (Mark 6:7,12,13). (2) He gave detailed instructions (Mark 6:8-11). (3) He demanded accountability (Matthew 11:29). (4) He delighted in giving recognition (Mark 6:31). And through all of the above He always supervised: reviewing past lessons, analyzing failures, and meeting people's needs.

All aspects of the church's ministry should be aimed at making disciples. The pulpit ministry or congregational discipleship, Sunday school, home Bible studies, and personal discipling are all areas of discipleship.

In discipling from the pulpit, the pastor can instruct the whole congregation simultaneously. In the large group, the pastor can impart his vision in the manner that the Apostle Paul conveyed his vision to the early church. This large group creates a sense of importance of the vision and makes it possible to influence a greater number of people. However, this phase of discipling is impersonal and does not demand much from the individual, but it does have a vital place in building the disciple.

Home Bible studies, cell groups, and growth groups provide a good setting for the principles of life transference. Not only is there a teacher, but his life becomes a model for those in the group. It also allows for the principle of accountability in the life of the believer. Believers as they grow in the Lord can also observe the individual members of the group and can exercise their Biblical responsibilities toward one another.

Personal discipleship is perhaps the most important, as it allows for the close personal relationship needed for teaching the new disciple and exemplifying the Christian lifestyle before him.

As a pastor, I have dealt with the small group plan of discipleship more than with any other method. I select a group of men who have a heart for lost souls and who are faithful. I involve them in a 6:30 a.m. Bible study for a period of at least one year.

I have seen God richly bless these men in the area of growth. Some are attending Grace and Dallas seminaries. One is pastoring in Florida. Several have become deacons. One has enrolled in Bible college and many of them are presently providing the leadership for our church. Discipleship pays off in producing quality leadership for the Kingdom of God.

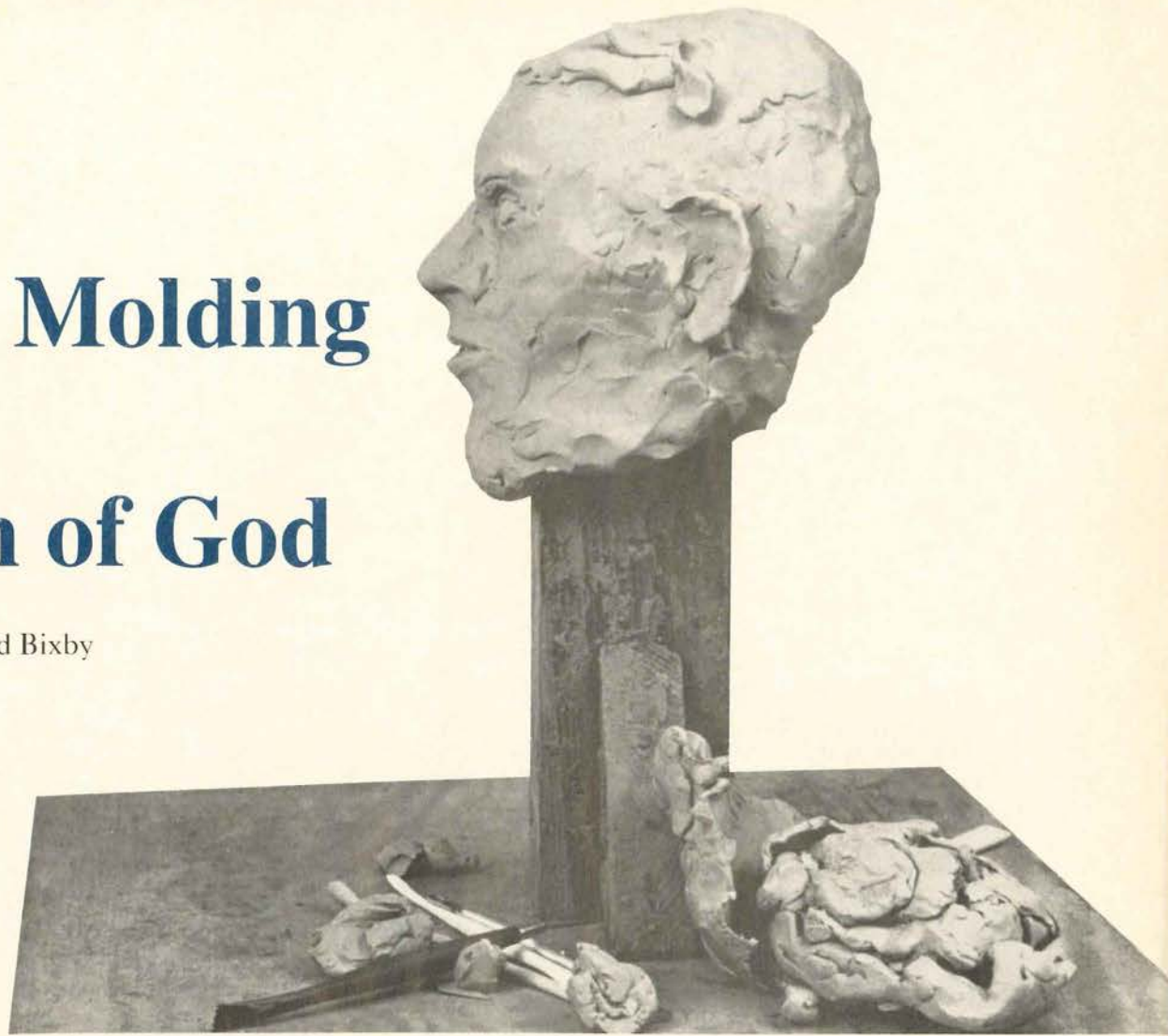
And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

Ephesians 4:11,12

This is the ultimate goal of discipleship: that the saints would be brought to a point of maturity to do the work of the ministry and that they would build up the body of Christ.

The Molding of a Man of God

by Dr. Howard Bixby



While teaching a seminar to pastors, a friend of mine quickly skimmed over a list of Scripture verses that deacons could use to encourage folks in the hospital. He was stopped by a flurry of hands and statements instructing him to go more slowly so the list could be written down by the pastors. To this he said, "I'm sorry. I assumed that you men would know all of this and be bored." To this one pastor emphatically stated, "You assumed too much!"

I have become increasingly aware of the fact that we have indeed **assumed too much** about the readiness of the average Bible college or seminary graduate for the pastorate or missionary service. While developing a blizzard of good discipleship materials, concepts, and techniques for pastors to use in discipling laymen, we have not disciplined the pastors themselves.

A person teaches as he has been taught. A man who disciplines others must first be disciplined. I perceive that more needs to be done to and for the one who disciplines those who will disciple others in the local church – the pastor or missionary!

It is true that the Holy Spirit of God ultimately saves, calls, and sends a pastor or missionary. It is also true that He has used human agents to do most of the training and shaping. The Bible is very clear in its description of the process of training employed in the developing of

the New Testament church leaders. While a comprehensive study of this discipleship process in the New Testament is hardly possible in a magazine article, there are, however, some basic ingredients that are most effective in "the molding of a man of God."

IT TAKES TIME

Molding a man of God takes **time**. There is no shortcut to influencing and shaping people for a ministry for God. Quick-fix courses and brightly illustrated guidebooks fall short.

Paul instructed Timothy in 2 Timothy 2:2, "The things which thou hast heard of me...commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also."

This charge was not a long distance communique handed down by an uninvolved consultant. Paul was Timothy's spiritual father who had spent years of tears, joy, hard work, and spiritual battling with him. Jesus Christ spent over three years preparing eleven apostles for their task. He ate, slept, taught, and relaxed with them.

The family unit itself is an object lesson of relationships within the family of God. Children cannot be raised to imitate and reproduce family values aside from lots of concentrated exposure time.

Discipling a pastor for ministry requires much time spent in close proximity with a model pastor or pastors.

IT TAKES MODELING

When molding a man for ministry, the object is for the disciple to **become like the one discipling**.

Luke 6:40 states: "The disciple is not above his master [discipler]: but every one that is perfect [successfully disciplined] shall be as his master."

Paul exhorted his disciples in Philippians 3:17: "...be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample."

Godly pastors must be involved in the process of discipling young men who hope to become pastors. A pastor's heart can most clearly be modeled by a godly pastor. He can help his disciple reproduce the kind of ministry demonstrated before him on a consistent basis.

Pastors who only spent time with college or seminary professors in an academic setting may tend to reproduce that setting in their churches. Churches are not colleges, and the needs or readiness of the people may not allow for this approach.

IT TAKES OPENNESS

Openness is necessary in molding a man of God for ministry. There are many good inputs available to a learner, but the most significant input will usually come from a significant model who is open and honest with him.

The discipling pastor must not only openly discuss his disciple's shortcomings, but his own as well. In his pastoral letters Paul often referred to experiences of failure as well as the success that his hearers had experienced with him. The Lord Jesus took His disciples into His Gethsemane experience *and* into His exaltation on the Mount of Transfiguration.

The godly discipler of a godly disciple need not fear that his student will be "turned off" by the revelation of his teacher's failures or testing. The rationale for programs or methods should be able to stand the test of honest discussion. A special bond can be formed between the two while engaged in such evaluation.

IT IS CAUGHT

While molding a man for ministry it is important to understand that most matters of eternal significance are **caught** rather than **taught**. This is to say that a man's values, attitudes, self-image, commitment, and goal-orientation cannot be captured in a notebook nearly as well as in the lifestyle of a person.

In John 1:35-51, the Lord Jesus Christ called four of His disciples. It is intriguing to note how the Lord spent time with them, answered questions, took them to places He stayed, shared about Himself, and then saw the first two recruit two more! They "caught" the dynamic of Christ's person, purpose, and program. From this start a long-term relationship was nurtured and grew until ultimately these eleven reproduced those qualities and concerns through the starting of the New Testament church.

A future pastor must have a close and extensive relationship with another significant pastor who will build Biblical values, attitudes, commitments, and goals into his life to ensure future success.

IT TAKES "DOING WITH"

Doing with and showing how are crucial pedagogical methods in the molding of a man of God. A study of the context in Luke 9,10 reveals that before Jesus Christ sent the Twelve and the Seventy out to witness, He had previously performed those same miracles and actions in their presence. He did not instruct before He demonstrated.

Content alone may create a false hope of success or a fearful realization of inadequacy. Either end of this same pendulum swing can be devastating to a young pastor.

Secular management experts have published a research study concluding that "there is no direct relationship between performance in school or training programs and records of success in management." While a content base is necessary for success in communicating spiritual truth, the leadership of people demands more. Pastors and missionaries **must be shown how** to perform ministry methods if they are to exert good leadership.

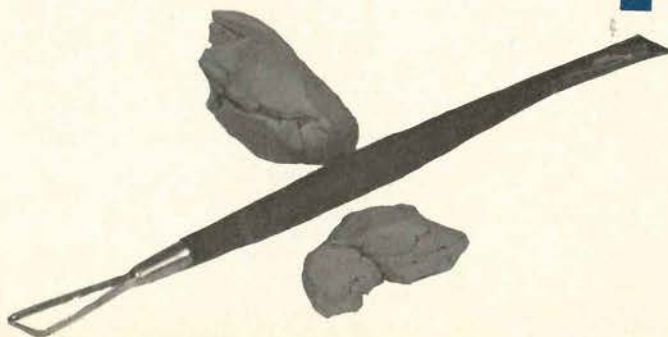
INTERNSHIP

The attaining of these basic ingredients for molding a man of God is presently being approached through local church internships. This concept of training is demonstrated well by the medical profession where doctors and nurses must have concentrated "hands on" experience in order to be truly qualified for their ultimate career jobs.

At least a year is needed for a future pastor or missionary to spend in concentrated practice of ministry. This period is most valuable when unhindered by academic or employment concerns. The man is able to set aside a year in the local church laboratory (spiritual hospital) after the completion of his academic training.

Where this type of discipling program has been experienced, those participating have shown unparalleled development toward their ministry goals. At least one Baptist mission agency is on record as requiring at least one year of full-time internship experience before embarking on a career in church planting.

Teachers teach as they were taught. Molding a man of God requires modeling by other men of God. Future pastors and missionaries need presently successful pastors and missionaries pouring into their lives now before they enter their career in ministry. It's Biblical!





by Gary R. Gromacki

The apostle Paul, as he sat alone in the cold, damp Mamertine prison in Rome, penned these words to Timothy, his son in the faith, "Thou, therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also" (2 Timothy 2:2).

Realizing that martyrdom was imminent, Paul urged Timothy to invest his life in the lives of faithful believers by committing to them the deposit of Biblical truth. Paul believed that discipleship was the greatest task in which a Christian could be involved.

After leading Timothy to the Lord, Paul became Timothy's spiritual parent. 2 Timothy 3:10 indicates that Paul had taught him doctrine, conduct, purpose, faith, patience, love, and perseverance. He trained him to become an effective servant of Jesus Christ. Timothy then served with Paul as a child does with a father in furthering the work of the gospel during his missionary journeys (Philippians 2:22).

Then in order to help the Corinthians in their Christian walk, Paul sent Timothy to them. Writing in 1 Corinthians 4:17, Paul said, "For this cause have I sent you Timotheus, who is my beloved son, and faithful in the Lord, who shall bring you into remembrance of my ways which be in Christ, as I teach every where in every church." Timothy became involved in the dynamic process of discipleship. He passed on to faithful men what his spiritual parent, Paul, had taught him.

The discipleship principle taught in 2 Timothy 2:2 has been impressed upon me throughout my Christian life.

My parents set an early example for me. By observing their daily times of Bible study, I was challenged to have a personal quiet time also. Dr. Paul Dixon, president of Cedarville College, invested in me a desire to evangelize the lost by sharing with me the concept of "Evangelism Explosion." Rick Thompson, my brother-in-law, imparted to me a vision for discipling others by giving me Navigator materials and by working with me in my summer pastoral internship.

As a sophomore at Cedarville College, I started a discipleship group with three high school young people. We met each week and challenged each other to have consistent quiet times and to memorize verses. We prayed together and shared our weaknesses and victories. During that year, we grew in our commitment to Christ and to each other.

I believe everyone can be involved in this life changing process. First, ask God to direct you to someone who needs to grow in Christ. Second, get to know different people and look for those whom you could possibly disciple. Third, don't be afraid to approach someone and ask him. If the person accepts your challenge, then set up a time to meet with him, either weekly or bimonthly.

Go out of your way to get to know him in the first few weeks. Develop a relationship with him by eating together, calling him on the phone, writing notes of

encouragement, and participating together in sports. Find out his interest areas and talk to him about them. In doing these kinds of things you will begin to see that discipleship involves developing close friendships.

Make sure that you have some goals. I call these training objectives. They are helpful in measuring the growth of your disciple. Below are some objectives that I have used in discipling others.

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1. Assurance of Salvation.

Goal: The disciple will be able to express with confidence the gospel message and explain to someone how he knows that he is saved.

The best way to accomplish this objective is to share verses with your disciple like John 10:27-29. Have him read I John and underline the signs of a believer.

Some materials to recommend include: Bob Cook's little book *Now that I Believe* (Moody Press), and Navigator's *Beginning with Christ* materials. I have also found one of my dad's books helpful, Robert Gromacki's *Salvation is Forever* (Moody Press).

2. Quiet Time.

Goal: The disciple will spend a quiet time with God each day consisting of reading his Bible and praying.

Accomplish this objective by showing him how. Have a quiet time with him. Share some of the blessings you have received from your own devotions. Show him that Christ saw a need to get alone with God before the day began (Mark 1:35).

Some materials to have him read include: Robert Foster's "Seven Minutes with God" pamphlet (NavPress), and Tim LaHaye's book *How to Study the Bible for Yourself* (Harvest House).

3. Victory Over Sin.

Goal: The disciple will experience victory over temptations by recognizing sins that he needs to forsake by memorizing appropriate verses, and by taking steps to be obedient to God's will for his life.

In dealing with this sensitive area, share with your disciple different areas in which you have failed God. Tell him how you struggled and how you gained the victory. Pray with him about victory over a sin habit in his life. Have him memorize Scripture that deals with this specific problem.

Good books to recommend are: Jerry Bridges' *The Pursuit of Holiness* (NavPress), Erwin Lutzer's *How in this World Can I Be Holy?* (Moody Press), and Jerry White's *Honesty, Morality, and Conscience* (NavPress).

4. Assurance of Forgiveness.

Goal: The disciple will demonstrate his understanding

that he is a forgiven sinner by forgiving others when they wrong him and by seeking to resolve conflicts with others.

Share with your disciple the importance of confessing sins and claiming God's forgiveness on the basis of I John 1:9. Go over steps to take in order to help him resolve personal conflicts he may have with another person.

Have him read David Augsburger's book *The Freedom of Forgiveness* (Moody Press).

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5. Prayer.

Goal: The disciple will demonstrate a consistent prayer life by praying daily for a minimum of ten minutes and by confidently participating in group prayer.

Pray with him during your meetings together. Show him how to keep a prayer notebook which records requests and answers. Share your answers to prayer with him.

Motivate him to pray more by having him read E.M. Bounds' *Power Through Prayer* (Baker), R.A. Torrey's *The Power of Prayer* (Zondervan), Andrew Murray's *With Christ in the School of Prayer* (Revell), and TORCH magazine, Spring 1982 issue.

6. Personal Testimony.

Goal: The disciple will write out his testimony of salvation and share it with two non-Christians within one month.

Share your testimony with him. A general outline to follow in writing is: (1) Life before Christ, (2) How you became a Christian, and (3) Changes in your life that took place after you became a Christian.

Take him witnessing with you either on door-to-door evangelism or campus evangelism.

Some books to encourage him in this area include: Paul Little's *How to Give Away Your Faith* (IVP), Dawson Trotman's "Born to Reproduce" pamphlet (NavPress), and Robert Coleman's *The Master Plan of Evangelism* (Spire).

7. Memorization of Scripture.

Goal: The disciple will begin a systematic program of memorizing Scripture and developing an adequate review system.

Challenge your disciple to memorize two verses a week. Review verses when you meet each other. Have him write the verses on cards and put them in a prominent place so that he can review them during the day.

A good systematic approach to memorizing Scripture is NavPress's *The Topical Memory System*.

8. Priorities and Use of Time.

Goal: The disciple will use his time wisely by forming and following a schedule.

Show him how to budget his time. Have him write out his most important priorities and encourage him to evaluate these in the light of God's Word.

Have him read *Tyranny of the Urgent* (IVP), and Ted Engstrom's *Managing Your Time* (Zondervan).

9. Giving.

Goal: The disciple will learn the importance of being a good steward of the money God has provided and will give regularly to the Lord's work.

If your disciple does not know how to develop a

budget, show him how. Motivate him to share God's blessings by meeting other people's financial needs. Encourage him to give regularly to his local church.

Wayne Watts' *The Gift of Giving* (NavPress) is an excellent book on this subject.

10. Christian Fellowship.

Goal: The disciple will attend and actively participate in a local church.

Take him to church with you and introduce him to some of your friends. Share the "one another" responsibilities listed in Scripture. Help him find opportunities to serve at church.

Some books to give him include Gene Getz's *Building Up One Another* (Victor) and *The Measure of a Church* (Regal).

All these training objectives are guidelines to help you measure the growth of your disciple.

Other topics you might want to discuss with him are: the will of God, purity in dating, self-acceptance, the tongue, going through trials, world vision, and discipling others.

Some excellent resource books on how to disciple include: Leroy Eims' *The Lost Art of Disciple Making* (Zondervan), Gary Kuhne's *The Dynamics of Personal Follow-up* (Zondervan), and Walt Henrichson's *Disciples Are Made - Not Born* (Victor).

The Great Commission will be accomplished only as we get involved personally in discipling others.

Let's strive to "present every man perfect in Christ Jesus..." (Colossians 1:28).

Will you accept the challenge? Will you disciple someone?

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The Times and the Seasons

by Pat Landers Dixon

John Ed Robertson stated in the *Discipleship Journal*, "Truth is best communicated when it is presented simultaneously by example and precept." My husband began to affect my life over twenty-five years ago. He began building into my life early during our courtship days of 1957 and onward. I experienced that effect through various stages. I first began *watching* Paul Dixon; then I began *listening* to what he had to say. Next, I realized that I had begun *receiving* what he was and *believed* him. The final stage proved I was *learning* from him. Isn't that a valid, developmental process of discipleship?

There were practical lessons my husband taught me. The breaker box in the garage *does* have some relationship to the electrical current in our house. Bream fish like crickets and catalpa worms for bait. The end of the week is *not* the best time to number all the checks I have written since the previous Monday.

The most prized lesson I learned from this "discipler" was how to use certain "tools" in my personal Bible study. He did this as a true master teacher: by example and explanation. He shares his study and books with me. Sometimes, he comes very near to revoking this privilege when he finds my oil paints or odds and ends from my current craft indulgence stuffed in a study corner or in a cabinet.

I have heard wives of pastors, other church personnel, laymen, and seminarians say, "My husband has time to teach his church and to disciple new Christians, etc., but he never takes me by myself and teaches me."

How sad! I do hope some of these men read this article and reflect upon their responsibility in this area.

True, a husband may teach his wife while she sits among the listeners; individualized instruction is needed, too.

Word studies are a favorite kind of Bible study for me. A particular word found in a verse or spoken in the pastor's message may capture my attention. For example, I am beginning a study of the word "good" found in Titus 2:3 and 5. Women are to be teachers of good things. What are these good things?

Mr. Dixon has introduced me to certain books for use in my study: *Young's Analytical Concordance to the Bible*, W.E. Vine's *Expository Dictionary of New Testament Words*, *The New Englishman's Greek Concordance*, M.R. Vincent's *Word Studies in the New Testament*. He also suggests I read books which discuss current theological topics. After I read them, we talk about them, and I learn.

In return for his teaching, I help him by scanning several religious magazines which come into our home monthly. Certain marked articles are left on his desk for him to read. They may contain information or topics for his preparation of messages. Or, there may be question marks in the margin concerning a statement which puzzles me.

His building into my life through Bible study and memorization extended beyond me and included our son, Scott. Early in our child's life, his father set up a systematic study of the New Testament and a plan to encourage Scott to memorize Scripture.

I remember when Paul showed his newborn son his books in 1962, and said, "Son, my books are your books. If you ever want to read them, just ask." At the time, his father's library was housed in two bookcases in our small apartment. This offer was carried through when Paul gave Scott a bibliography to aid his study of the Bible.

After he read a book and reported its contents either orally or through a written page, a certain amount of money went into his college education bank account. Now, our son has begun his own library which will aid his study in college and seminary.

I treasure the times of prayer with my beloved. We have prayed upon awakening, before drifting off to sleep, and while driving to some destination. His prayer life challenges and convicts me. Our son, when he was barely walking, observed his dad upon his knees. I can still picture in my mind's eye Scott's mimicking his kneeling dad at the side of the bed. Yes, he taught his son by example and precept.

Not only does my husband love me, but also he loves people. His having a genuine concern for them and his considering them to be "divine interruptions" into his busy schedule reflect Christ's example of love. God gave him the genial manner which attracts people to him. This aspect of his life has taught me.

My gratitude to God for His enabling Paul to live a disciplined, consistent life before me and our son and to teach us willingly is hardly expressible. *Thank you, Heavenly Father, for giving him a heart to love, an ear to listen, and a tongue to instruct.*

Campus News



Once again Cedarville College students are ministering around the world in the college's unique Missionary Internship Service program. These young people apply and are carefully reviewed before they can be accepted for this summer service. Then they are thoroughly trained, and they raise their own support prior to actually reaching the field of service. This year teams and individuals are in Australia, China, Israel, Philippines, Finland, Alaska, Brazil, Scotland, Mexico, and England.



Cedarville's largest senior class was graduated June 4 at commencement exercises held in the Athletic Center. Numbering 296 with 44 more to graduate in August, this group brings to over 10,000 the total number of Cedarville College graduates since the college was chartered in 1887. About 3,500 students, parents, and friends attended the event.



Dr. Clifford W. Fawcett will be the new chairman of the Department of Business Administration beginning this fall. He formerly taught at James Madison University in Virginia and he received his doctorate from George Washington University. In addition to teaching, Dr. Fawcett owns his own consulting firm and maintains a consulting relationship with the Department of the Navy.



Old Patterson Hall becomes Patterson Clinic September 1. Renovation of the building into the new health clinic is underway this summer. The result will mean better usage of rooms, improved traffic flow, and additional space for a nurses' station, conference room, and library. Staffed by eight full- and part-time people, a few of the many services of the health clinic include: first aid and emergency care, physician consultation, care of acute and chronic illnesses, and rehabilitation programs.



The Department of Business Administration has announced the purchase of a new academic computer. The model chosen is the Digital Equipment Company's VAX 11-750 with peripheral devices at a cost of \$150,000. In addition, the Cleveland Foundation awarded a \$30,000 grant to Cedarville for the improvement of computer literacy of both faculty and students. Of 50 applications from Ohio schools, Cedarville was one of only 12 institutions to receive grants.

The Board of Trustees has two new members: Clyde E. *Gene* Miller and Rev. Lynn E. Rogers. Mr. Miller is co-owner of Miller Brothers Oil Corporation of Allegan, Michigan. This is the largest independent oil company in Michigan. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have four children and are members of First Baptist Church in Allegan. Rev. Rogers has served for 30 years as pastor of Northfield Baptist Church in Northfield, Ohio. An alumnus of Cedarville College, he was the first recipient of the "Alumnus of the Year" award in 1968. He has served on the boards of the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism, Baptist Mid-Missions, and the Ohio Association of Regular Baptist Churches. Additionally, he has been instrumental in developing the camping programs at Camp Patmos and Skyview Baptist Ranch.

Dr. Lawlor with the Lord

On Thursday, June 23, 1983, Dr. George L. Lawlor, Professor Emeritus of Greek and Bible, went home to be with the Lord he loved and served. Dr. Lawlor taught at Cedarville College for 20 years. Beyond his ministry in the classroom, he authored books on the Beatitudes, the Virgin Birth, and the book of Jude. For many years he authored a column on Greek word studies for the *Ohio Independent Baptist*. Only eternity will reveal the impact his teaching/preaching/writing ministry has had on countless lives through the years.



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1983 ITINERARIES

Dr. Paul Dixon, President

June 27 - July 1		G. A. R. B. C. Conference Niagara Falls, NY
August	7	Highland Park Baptist Church Southfield, MI
September	6-8	Grand Rapids Baptist College and Seminary Grand Rapids, MI
	7	Blythefield Hills Baptist Church Rockford, MI
	10-11*	Fellowship Baptist Church Whitmore Lake, MI
October	2	Akron Baptist Temple Akron, OH
	8-9*	Burton Avenue Baptist Church Waterloo, IA
	21-23	Central Baptist Church London, Ontario
	28-29	Indiana Fellowship of Regular Baptist Churches Ladies' Retreat (with Pat Dixon)
31-November 3		Annual Convention of Evangelical Baptist Churches in Canada Niagara Falls, Ontario
November	3-5	Missions Interface '83 Bethesda Baptist Church Brownsburg, IN
	8	FBHM Field Council Welch Road Baptist Church Commercial Point, OH
	11	University Heights Baptist Church Indianapolis, IN
December	4	Blessed Hope Baptist Church Springfield, OH
	11	Whipple Avenue Baptist Church Canton, OH

*morning service only

Dr. Donald Moffat, Special Representative

June 27 - July 1		G. A. R. B. C. Conference Niagara Falls, NY
July	3	Bethel Baptist Church Pataskala, OH
	31-August 5	Camp Pamadeva Bible Conference Hanover, PA
August	6-12	Tri-State Bible Conference Montague, NJ
	14	Windsor Avenue Bible Church Oceanside, NY
	16-31	Ministering in England and Scotland
September	1-6	Ministering in Portugal (tentative)
	18-22	Brookfield Baptist Church Brookfield, IL
	25-30	First Baptist Church Angelica, NY
October	2-7	First Baptist Church Skaneateles, NY
	9-14	First Baptist Church East Syracuse, NY
	16-21	Bible Baptist Church Cortland, NY
	23-28	Bible Baptist Church New Hartford, NY
November	20-23	Marantha Bible Church Orlando, FL
	27-December 2	Maranatha Baptist Church Sebring, FL

Dr. James T. Jeremiah, Chancellor

June 27-July 1		G. A. R. B. C. Conference Niagara Falls, NY
July	9-13	Baptist Mid-Missions Elyria, OH
August	7	Emmanuel Baptist Church Xenia, OH
	21	First Baptist Church Johnson City, NY
	22-28	Montrose Bible Conference Montrose, PA
September	1	Blackhawk Baptist Church Fort Wayne, IN
	9-11	First Baptist Church Louisville, OH
	12-15	Pastors' Conference Cedarville College
	23-25	Mayflower Baptist Church South Bend, IN
October	2-5	Calvary Baptist Church Salem, OH
	7-9	The Chapel at Marlboro Alliance, OH
	11	Central Indiana G. A. R. B. C. Meeting Highland, IN
	15	Homecoming Cedarville College
	23-28	Wilmington Bible Church Wilmington, OH
30-November 2		Pleasant Hill Baptist Church Smithville, OH
November	6-13	First Baptist Church Anderson, California
	12-16	Baptist Mid-Missions Cleveland, OH
December	2-4	Faith Baptist Church Lafayette, IN

Dr. Hugh Hall, Director of Church Relations

June 27-July 1		G. A. R. B. C. Conference Niagara Falls, NY
July	4-8	Family Week, Bethany Baptist Camp Bethany, NY
	20-23	Alumni Enrichment Conference Cedarville College
August	3-6	Laymen's Conference Cedarville College
September	12-15	Pastors' Conference Cedarville College
	19-20	Pennsylvania State G. A. R. B. C. Meeting Perkasie, PA
October	1-2	Grace Baptist Church Toledo, OH
	3-4	IL-MO State G. A. R. B. C. Meeting Quincy, IL
	9-12	First Baptist Church Danville, IN
	17-18	Empire State G. A. R. B. C. Meeting Johnson City, NY
	19-23	People's Baptist Church Frederick, MD



Is Your Will Outdated?

Your responsibilities and your aspirations are constantly changing. Perhaps your children are grown, or you've acquired more property, or your parents have become dependent upon you. Unless your will also changes, it cannot accurately reflect your current situation.

Probably the main reason for writing your will was to provide for your family's future security. Most likely you were very concerned about naming a guardian in case your children should lose both parents.

But now, if those children are grown and independent, there is no need to name a guardian or to set aside funds for college educations. You might want to consider diverting some of your estate to someone else who has become dependent upon you, to your church, or to Cedarville College.

Likewise, your financial picture has probably changed over the years. You may have disposed of property bequeathed in your will, or you may have acquired new property that you would like to leave to a particular person. You may even have become so prosperous that you can provide for your family and still include gifts to special

friends, your church, and Cedarville College. In any case, your will should be reviewed and possibly updated to reflect these new conditions.

And, of course, state laws governing wills, contractual agreements, and related taxes may be changed at any time. The 1981 Economic Recovery Tax Act altered the federal estate and gift tax system and changed the outcome of many estates.

Since your attorney stays abreast of changing laws, it is wise to have him or her review your will periodically and incorporate necessary changes. Also, if you move out of state, have an attorney in your new state review your will. Laws governing wills vary.

When you decide to change your will, consult an attorney. An improperly inserted change could invalidate your entire will. Some changes can be made with a simple amendment, while others require rewriting part or all of the will.

The **free booklet** offered below suggests more situations in which it would be wise to review and possibly update your will. Send for your copy today, or write for specific information.

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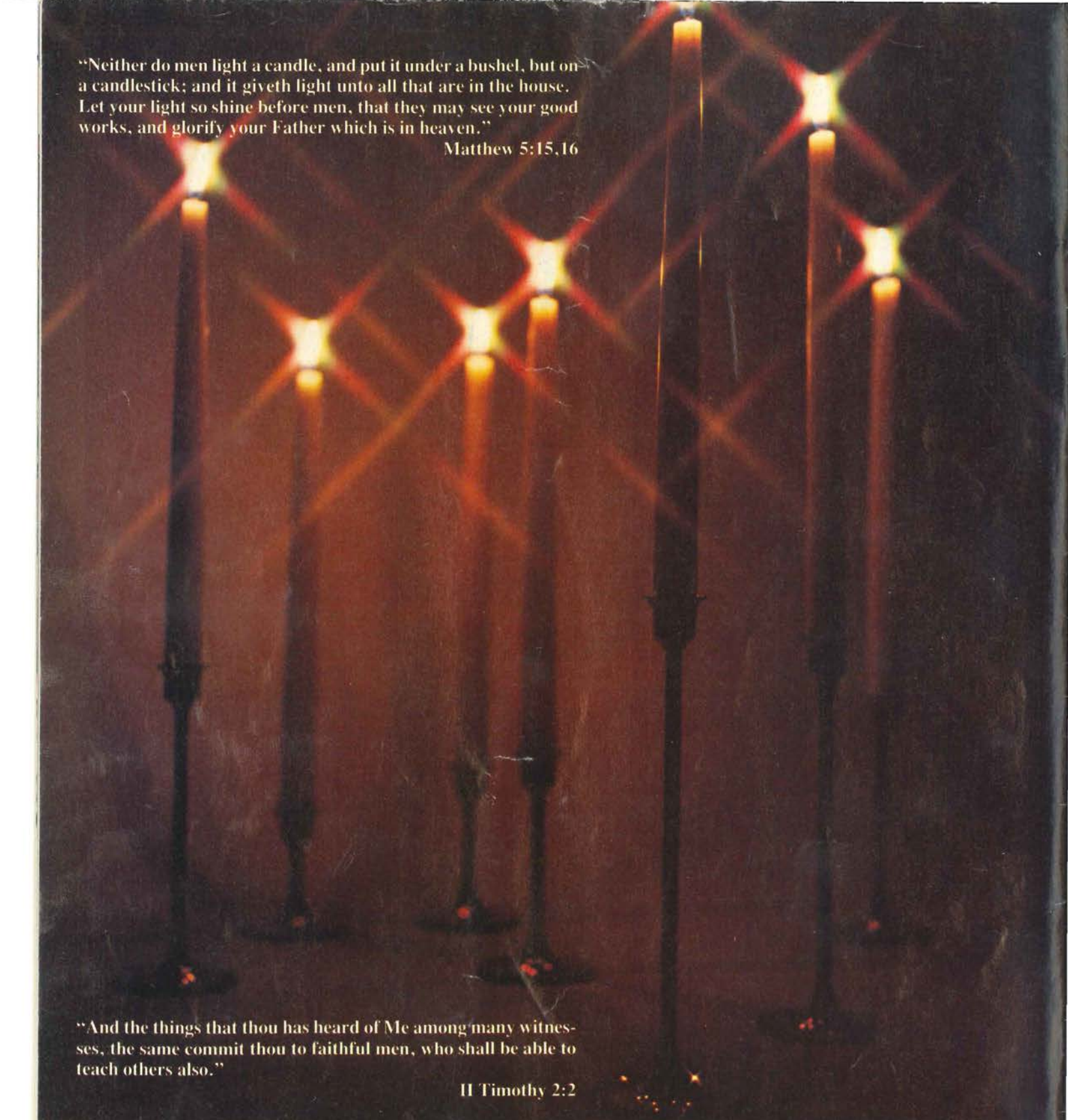
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"Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

Matthew 5:15,16

"And the things that thou has heard of Me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also."

II Timothy 2:2

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